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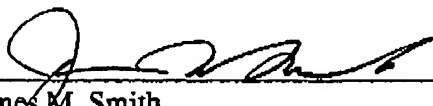
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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated March 29, 2004, the claims of Group 1 (Claims 1-26, 32, 42-51 and 58-64) drawn to an optical coupler using a prism are elected for prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

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